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Incomplete records, Oswald-FBI connection, "S179"

This Gemberling memo is entirely incomplete in its reflection of a telephone call not involving him but from "SAC William A. Branigan at FBI HQ" and SAC Shanklin in Dallas.

It is incomplete in not indicating in what files copies are to be filed and it is incomplete in the references to relevant files.

It is incomplete in deliberately eliminating the names of the reporters well-known to Gemberling. They are Hugh Aynesworth, who is no longer in Dallas, and Lonnie Hudkins, who has been at the Baltimore News-American for more than ten years. It is incomplete whether or not faithful to what Branigan said in stating only that "An article has been printed in the 'Washington Star'" when actually the article was earlier under Lonnie Hudkins byline in the Baltimore News-American and was quite specific with all names mentioned.

Ostensibly, this was the purpose "Mr. Branigan reflected (sic) that we do a file review and make available to him pertinent information relating to the allegations made about Oswald being an informant of the FBI."

All that Gemberling provided Branigan were references to Dallas airtel of 2/7/64 and two sets of pages in two consolidated reports by Gemberling, all three in the 100-10461 file, Serials 3196, 3200 and 4100. This cannot possibly be all because the stories reporting this rumor began to appear before the first of 1964 and because the Warren Commission had two official executive sessions and unofficial sessions, all prior to the time of the airtel.

While under FOIA I am limited to existing records, I am entitled to a good faith search which this does not reflect. Gemberling and all sorts of other people in Dallas and in FBI Headquarters know relevant records on this have not been provided.

I do have a separate specific request for all such records with which there has been no compliance at all.